

If you are among the long-term unemployed in Missouri, you may be eligible for special training in the IT field.

The Full Employment Council (FEC) in Kansas City and St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE) in St. Louis City are partnering with local employers, business organizations and colleges to provide information technology (IT) training and work experience through a new program called RebootU. There are literally hundreds of open IT jobs going unfilled every day – employers just can't find the workers with the skills necessary to fill these jobs. A large number of these jobs are entry level, with average starting salaries of \$40,000. RebootU is designed to help unemployed workers like you attain the required technical skills and gain the practical experience needed to rejoin the workforce as a qualified IT professional!

RebootU is designed to be highly responsive to employer-identified job skills needed for a wide range of open IT positions. Participants will receive rigorous, innovative classroom training in select IT technical skills, where in-demand competencies will be emphasized, rather than content required for a traditional "for credit" course from a post-secondary institution. All classroom training for the technical skills curriculum will be delivered by highly qualified IT professionals.

Following completion of technical classroom training, RebootU will offer paid work opportunities and internships to help participants gain the practical hands-on experience many employers require. RebootU is committed to helping participants that successfully complete the program to find suitable employment in the IT field.

Once training is complete, RebootU will work to get you and your resume in front of employers with job openings and available paid internships that match your newly-attained IT skill set. While we cannot provide a 100% guarantee of a job upon completion of RebootU, we will make sure all participants have interview and/or paid internship opportunities.

Individuals interested in learning more about the RebootU program should visit the Kansas City FEC or St. Louis City SLATE Career Center for additional information.